

Treasury Department,

Bureau of the Mint,

Washington, D. C., March 24, 1899.

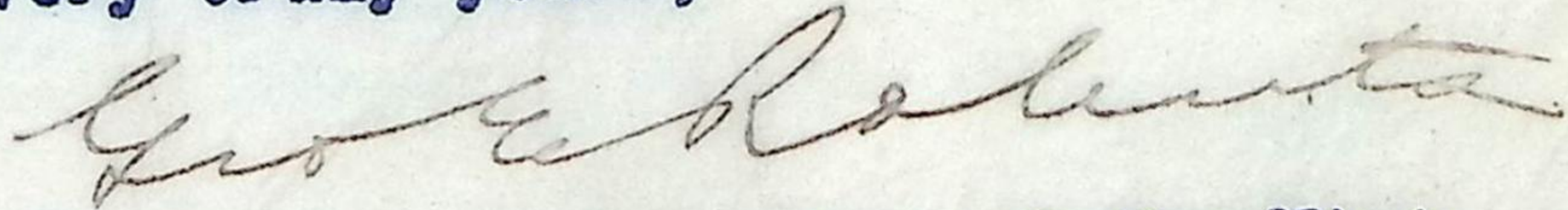
Mr. Robert J. Thompson,
Secretary, Lafayette Memorial Commission,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your favor of the 22nd instant and
note what you say as to when you will be able to submit recommenda-
tions for the design for the Lafayette Memorial coins.

I have asked the Designer and Engraver of the Philadelphia
Mint, Mr. Charles E. Barber, to prepare sketches of designs and
when he has done so will submit them to you.

Very truly yours,



Director of the Mint.